

GRANT PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

This section of the budget document summarizes all of the County's grant programs. The preponderance of the grants reported here are intergovernmental awards of funds targeted to specific purposes with grantor approval of expenditure plans or budgets. For accounting purposes, some spending included in this section of the budget reflects costs of activities supported by other outside revenues, e.g., registration fees for conferences or grants from non-governmental entities. While human service agencies continue to administer the majority of the grants awarded to the County, growth in grants for other functions is steady. These anticipated grant awards will support costs of close to 1,000 staff in FY2003. Many grant funded positions are limited term; they do not appear in the County's authorized full or part time merit system position counts. These positions are characteristically budgeted in programs which are new or are expanding and where future support for the positions is uncertain.

Operating expenditures of grant programs include all customary costs of program operations but they also include a large percentage of funding to subcontract services. In these situations, the County acts as a purchasing agent for services, on behalf of the grantor, and then as contract administrator for the service agreements, processing payments to vendors and reporting on financial and program outcomes to grantors.

All revenue and expenditures of these programs are accounted for in several special revenue funds established for financial control and auditing purposes.

Total grant programs spending authorized for FY2003 is \$145.4 million, an increase of \$4.0 million or approximately 2.9% from FY2002. County cash participation of \$1.5 million, included in the administering agencies' General Fund budgets, is projected for these programs in FY2003. Total program spending includes both the County cash appropriated in the various agencies' General Fund budgets and the total of outside sources of grant funds (Federal, State and other). In-kind contributions are not included in the totals for programs.

The budget pages for agencies display summary spending and budget information for each grant administered by that agency. A chart at the beginning of the grant section of an agency's budget pages displays the agency's spending for all grants it administers by expenditure type, (e.g., compensation).

The following are program descriptions for the grants the County anticipates being awarded in FY2003. Amounts shown for each grant represent total grant program spending and in some cases will include County cash as a part of the program revenue. For detail on sources of funds that support each program, refer to the chart that follows these descriptions.

Human Relations Commission

EEOC WORKSHARING AGREEMENT (\$205,800)

The Human Relations Commission has a worksharing agreement with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC). Under this agreement, the Commission investigates allegations of discrimination in employment that occur in Prince George's County. These allegations are dually filed with the EEOC and are based on a violation covered by Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA) and the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA). EEOC reimburses the Commission a fixed amount per case.

LEADERSHIP PRINCE GEORGE'S (\$72,600)

Leadership Prince George's is a community leadership program that provides annual training and development experience for a selected group of managers and leaders of organizations and businesses in Prince George's County. The program was designed and developed by the Human Relations Commission, and is partially funded by tuition fees paid by participants.

HUMAN RELATIONS AWARD PROGRAM (\$26,400)

This annual agency banquet provides recognition to persons and/or organizations that have made outstanding contributions to the Prince George's County community. Special emphasis is placed on the areas of community service and human relations.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS/MEDIATION SERVICES (\$80,000)

This grant, from the Maryland Alternative Dispute Resolution Commission, is being awarded to supplement the Human Relations Commission's mediation services in the County.

Office of Personnel and Labor Relations

SENIOR AIDE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (\$456,200)

The Senior Aide Employment Program is funded through the National Council of Senior Citizens, Inc. Seniors aged 55 and over, who without this program would have limited opportunities for other suitable public or private paid employment, work as part time aides. They gain job experience and training while providing valuable service to many governmental and non-profit agencies throughout the County.

WORKFORCE SERVICES CORPORATION (\$30,700)

The goal of this grant is to provide intensive one-on-one and small group employment-related training that will lead to unsubsidized employment for Workforce Investment Act eligible older workers. Training activities will be designed to meet the needs and job requirements of potential employers, thereby increasing opportunities for unsubsidized employment.

Circuit Court

FAMILY DIVISION GRANT (\$1,594,000)

The Family Division Legislative Initiative Grant funds the Court's Family Division that provides the following services: a one-stop Information and Referral Center; the Family Support Services Unit which provides certain family support services (e.g., mediation, domestic violence coordination, and other clinical assessment and referral services); and enhanced monitoring, scheduling, and oversight functions in the Family Law area.

COOPERATIVE REIMBURSEMENT GRANT/MASTERS (\$344,500)

This is a Federal grant which reimburses the Circuit Court for activities it undertakes in the area of child support enforcement. The Office of the Master of Domestic Relations hears and makes recommendations to the Circuit Court on cases concerning the establishment of paternity, establishment of civil support obligations, and enforcement of the collection of Court-ordered child support.

Office of the State's Attorney

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM GRANT (\$107,700)

This grant supports a program to enhance anti-domestic violence initiatives.

STOP VIOLENCE PROGRAM (\$316,900)

Funding is provided through the Federal Violence Against Women Act, which enables the Office of the State's Attorney to enhance services for victims of domestic violence. Six personnel are funded—three (3) Assistant State's Attorneys and three (3) Law Clerk/Victim Witness Coordinators.

EDUCATION, PREVENTION & INVESTIGATION (\$50,000)

This grant targets investigating acts of vehicular theft. It also aims to educate people about prevention of vehicular theft.

VICTIMS OF CRIME ASSISTANCE-VOCA PROGRAM (\$39,700)

This grant supports a Spanish-speaking advocate who will provide victim assistance services.

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY TEEN COURT (\$49,000)

This program presents communities with the opportunity to teach young teens valuable life and coping skills.

Public Works and Transportation

RIDESHARING PROGRAM (\$269,200)

This program promotes ridesharing in the public and private sectors by helping commuters form car and van pools, thereby reducing congestion on County highways. The Federal Highway Administration provides funding through the Urban Systems Program.

Department of Environmental Resources

ANIMAL MANAGEMENT VOLUNTEER/HUMANE EDUCATION GRANT (\$5,000)

Federal grant funds support adoption of abandoned animals through educational publications and materials, instructional equipment and pet carriers.

CHESAPEAKE BAY CRITICAL AREA GRANT (\$42,000)

State grant funds received under this program provide funding to the Department of Environmental Resources to plan and implement the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Program for the County.

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (MDNR) / NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION (NOAA) (\$10,000)

Funded as part of a bay-wide public outreach program on Rain Gardens for both new and existing residential homes using a community-based approach. This funding is for implementation of one Train-the-Trainers workshop series.

NATIONAL FISH AND WILDLIFE (\$25,000)

Funded as part of a bay-wide public outreach program on Rain Gardens for both new and existing residential homes using a community-based approach. This funding is for implementation of Train-the-Trainers workshop series (3) and public outreach materials.

HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN DEVELOPMENT (\$75,000)

Purchase, re-grade and stabilize eight residences damaged/condemned because of severe slope failure in the Tor-Bryant subdivision.

CHESAPEAKE BAY TRUST (\$10,000)

Funded as part of a bay-wide public outreach program on Rain Gardens for both new and existing residential homes using a community-based approach. This funding is for workshop materials.

SEPTIC SYSTEM-AREAS OF CONCERN (\$21,700)

To determine preliminary Areas of Special Concern (ASCs) within the County, to compare ASCs with the distribution of Conventional Onsite Disposal Systems (OSDS) and conduct a pilot field evaluation based on identified hotspots where ASCs and OSDS overlap.

SEPTIC SYSTEM- GIS DATABASE (\$40,000)

To upgrade the existing County database of OSDS to assist with better management of OSDS in various Prince George's County watersheds.

UPPER PATUXENT RIVER LID RETROFIT (\$40,000)

The County will develop a Watershed Restoration Action strategy for the watershed. The County proposes to develop a plan to target areas for implementing Low Impact Development (LID) techniques and develop a plan to rehabilitate degraded in-stream and riparian habitats.

FEMA - GIS TOPOGRAPHIC LAYERS (\$360,000)

The County is partnering with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Maryland State Highway Administration and the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission to develop a GIS based 2-foot topographic data and Digital Terrain Model for the entire County. The information will be used for hydrologic and hydraulic modeling and floodplain mapping to produce Digital Flood Insurance Rate maps.

Police Department

ALCOHOL/DRUG HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAM (\$400,000)

This program provides funding to conduct sobriety checkpoints, assign Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) Task Force officers to each high school prom, develop and distribute DWI-related information, distribute Drug Education Guide pamphlets, enable County high school seniors to use a DWI simulator, sponsor a drug summit for County middle and high school students, purchase additional breath test devices, and enable the County to expand public education efforts towards drug- and alcohol-free driving.

ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND FIREARMS TASK FORCE (ATF) (\$20,000)

This grant reimburses Department overtime costs for participation in task force operations.

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE SAFETY PLAN (\$5,000)

This grant from the Maryland Department of Transportation, State Highway Administration will support increased commercial motor vehicle enforcement and safety inspections on roads not patrolled by the Maryland State Police or the Maryland Transportation Authority Police.

COPS IN SCHOOLS GRANT (\$757,400)

This grant supports costs of 20 police officers assigned to County high schools, as an element of the Police Department's Community Oriented Policing Services. The officers, in addition to providing a security presence, will be available to assist youth in avoiding situations where unlawful activity may occur. This grant, a three-year award, was received in 2000 and appropriated through supplementary appropriation. The costs shown here are costs for the twelve-month interval of FY2003.

BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP (\$25,000)

The Bureau of Justice Assistance of the U.S. Department of Justice will provide a grant to reimburse public safety agencies for part of the cost of purchasing bulletproof vests.

HOTSPOTS COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE (\$195,000)

This grant, awarded through the Maryland Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention, supports costs of crime prevention and community improvement efforts of community based organizations and municipal entities. The Police Department is the administering agent for these funds.

FOREIGN VEHICLE REGISTRATION ENFORCEMENT (\$20,000)

This grant from the Maryland State Police addresses the problem of improperly registered vehicles through support for overtime of officers issuing violation notices to owners residing in the County but registering their vehicles out-of-state.

FBI TASK FORCES (\$70,100)

This grant includes two joint operations with the FBI: 1) "Fugitive Task Force" to conduct investigations to locate and apprehend violent fugitives who have fled the State of Maryland and those who have sought refuge within the State; and 2) "Safe Streets Task Force" to concentrate on violent crimes in the community.

DEA CROSS BORDER TASK FORCES (\$44,000)

An agreement with the Drug Enforcement Administration of the U.S. Department of Justice will reimburse overtime of officers assigned to a task force which will attempt to disrupt illicit drug traffic across the borders of the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia.

METRO ALIEN FRAUD TASK FORCE (\$21,000)

The U.S. Secret Service provides reimbursement for County police officers that are assigned, in an overtime capacity, to participate in the Metro Alien Fraud Task Force. The purpose of this joint operation is to investigate fraud cases perpetrated by professional groups working in the metropolitan Washington area.

METROPOLITAN AREA TASK FORCE (\$44,000)

This program uses task force members to disrupt illicit drug trade in the metropolitan area through the gathering and reporting of intelligence data relating to narcotics. Seized assets are divided among the jurisdictions through the Federal asset forfeiture sharing process. Funding is received from the Drug Enforcement Administration.

OCDETF - ORGANIZED CRIME DRUG ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE (\$15,000)

Through investigations by task force members, this program attempts to disrupt the illicit drug trade in the Washington metropolitan area by targeting it at the organized crime level. The task force members gather and report intelligence data relating to narcotics. They direct seized assets and monetary gains to the appropriate local jurisdiction through the use of Federal asset forfeiture sharing procedures. Funding for this program is provided by various Federal law enforcement agencies.

US CUSTOMS/HIDTA (\$9,000)

This initiative involves the investigation of money laundering by drug dealers, organizations, and gangs in the Washington/Baltimore area. The Police Department is reimbursed for overtime costs directly related to this project.

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM (\$35,000)

The purpose of this program is conduct enforcement on motorists illegally passing school buses.

OPERATION DEALERS (\$300,000)

Funding is provided by several federal agencies to support collaborative efforts to reduce drug trafficking and related violent crime in identified areas and along the border areas of the County and the District of Columbia.

STREET AND COMMERCIAL ROBBERY ABATEMENT (\$100,000)

The primary purpose of this program is to address the rising rate of robberies and carjacking committed in Prince George's County. The focus is to reduce firearm violence within the County through intensified surveillance and monitoring of areas with increased rates of crime.

VEHICLE THEFT ABATEMENT PROGRAM (\$200,000)

The purpose of this program is to reduce the opportunity for auto theft through a comprehensive vehicle theft prevention and education program. The project coordinator works with municipalities, community and business groups, and Police Department staff to implement information campaigns and community education seminars in order to increase citizen awareness and prevention efforts.

ANTI-DRUG INITIATIVE (\$53,700)

Through an agreement with the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) offices, the Police Department will assign an officer to participate in a task force to reduce illicit drug distribution.

U.S. CUSTOMS TASK FORCE (\$13,000)

Grant funds will support costs of assisting the U.S. Customs with investigations.

VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (\$50,100)

Grant funds from the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention supports staff to review violent crime reports and contact victims to apprise them of all services available to them.

UNANTICIPATED GRANTS/TASK FORCES (\$300,000)

This is an appropriation for grant awards not anticipated in the budget. This appropriation will allow for the quick start-up of small grants that may be necessary to avoid the potential loss of grant funds.

Fire Department

FEMA USFA ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS (\$494,200)

The focus of the grant is on training and equipment to better prepare the Fire/EMS Department in case of a weapons of mass destruction incident. Training aspects include hazardous materials, explosives detection and mitigation, and technical rescue. The equipment component will enhance current inventory and add equipment that is needed specifically for technical rescue.

Office of the Sheriff

CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT (\$1,249,400)

This grant funds a special unit within the Office of the Sheriff that is responsible for service of process and writs of attachment to persons who are in arrears with child support payments.

CEASE FIRE - MOBILE DATA TERMINALS (\$116,900)

This grant funds the purchase of mobile data terminals which maximize deputies time in the field, allowing them to retrieve and review information through various law enforcement agencies records management systems.

HOTSPOTS GRANTS (\$63,700)

This grant covers the overtime of 8-10 deputy sheriffs who serve warrants in designated HotSpot communities. It also funds an LTGF position to for data entry and coordination.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE - MD VICTIMS OF CRIME (\$49,400)

This grant funds two part-time clerks who are responsible for entry of all domestic violence court orders and papers into the MILES/NCIC computer system.

LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANT (\$500,000)

This is a multi-agency grant that will be used to purchase equipment needed to improve public safety, such as radio upgrades, mobile data terminals, digital fingerprint equipment, and digital cameras.

Department of Corrections

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM (\$138,400)

The Community Service Program develops and establishes non-profit, charitable and governmental work sites for adult, incarcerated, non-violent offenders, assigned by the Court to perform community service work as a condition of probation.

HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREA (\$302,900)

The Department of Corrections has assumed responsibility for the administration of this grant from the Health Department. This program has three phases: Phase I, a jail-based substance abuse treatment program; Phase II, an intensive outpatient treatment program, called Day Reporting; and Phase III, an outpatient care program provided by the Health Department. The County will fund Phase II (Day Reporting Program) of the grant until an alternative funding source can be secured.

ENHANCED SUPERVISION PROGRAM (\$77,300)

The program uses voice identification technology and pagers to monitor activities of offenders in community supervision programs. The technology provides important assistance to staff in managing caseloads by reducing the frequency of personal contacts. Participants are required to call in to an automated response center at scheduled intervals and following random pager contacts.

Department of Family Services

NUTRITION FOR THE ELDERLY PROGRAM - CONGREGATE MEALS (\$844,700)

Under Title III-C1 of the Older Americans Act of 1965, the State awards funds for nutrition programs for the elderly. The County uses these grant funds to provide meals to residents aged 60 and over at locations throughout the County. The program arranges with the Department of Public Works and Transportation for necessary transportation to and from the sites. An anticipated 135,000 meals will be served in FY2003. In addition to mandated services, the program provides nutrition screening, social, recreational, and health and fitness activities.

NUTRITION FOR THE ELDERLY PROGRAM-HOME DELIVERED MEALS (\$386,000)

Under Title III-C2 of the Older Americans Act, the State awards funds for the home-delivered portion of the Nutrition for the Elderly Program. This program meets the nutritional needs of elderly persons by delivering daily meals to those who cannot be transported to congregate sites due to poor health. In addition to meals, clients receive nutrition and other needs screenings.

PUBLIC GUARDIANSHIP (\$111,100)

This program provides case management for individuals referred by the Maryland Office on Aging and for whom the Department's Director has been appointed Guardian. The Department confers and coordinates with, and requests assistance from, other provider agencies and prepares annual and semi-annual reports for each case.

SENIOR ASSISTED HOUSING (\$359,900)

This is a program of residential living providing shelter, meals, housekeeping, personal services and 24-hour supervision to individuals at least 62 years of age who have temporary or periodic difficulties with the activities of daily living and require assistance in performing those personal and household functions. The funds shown here, from the Maryland Office on Aging, support coordinating activities necessary to approve facilities for certification and for monitoring visits.

SENIOR HEALTH PROMOTION - TITLE III F (\$24,100)

This section of the Federal Older Americans Act provides funds to promote health awareness and wellness among older Americans.

SENIOR INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE (\$112,700)

This program, funded through the Maryland Office on Aging, offers a single point of contact for senior citizens who need information and assistance to deal with complex and continually changing service structures and rules. The program also includes follow-up to ensure adequate service delivery and to identify gaps in service.

FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM (\$240,200)

The Foster Grandparent Program, funded by ACTION, employs low-income senior citizens as foster grandparents to work with physically, mentally and emotionally handicapped children in centers throughout the County. These children would otherwise not receive the personal attention necessary for their social adjustment and maturation. Approximately 235 children are served at 12 schools throughout the County by 70 foster grandparents.

RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM (\$116,100)

The Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), funded by the Corporation for National Service, develops volunteer service opportunities in County government and with non-profit agencies for approximately 600 older Prince Georgians (55+). Volunteers serve on a part-time basis, and are compensated for out-of-pocket expenses only. Federal funds from the grantor and some County dollars support administration of the program and the volunteer expenses.

SENIOR HEALTH INSURANCE COUNSELING AND ADVOCACY (\$67,300)

This program, funded through the Maryland Office on Aging, supports trained volunteers who provide health insurance counseling to seniors.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING (\$605,400)

The Area Agency on Aging is funded through the Older Americans Act, under Title III-B. This grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, supports comprehensive planning, monitoring and evaluation of all senior citizen programs in the County. An integral function of the Area Agency is to sub-grant funds to various agencies furnishing a variety of services, including legal assistance, information and referral, day care for the frail, health fitness, rural outreach, tax assistance, foster-home care, respite care and ombudsman services.

CURB ABUSE MEDICARE/MEDICAID (\$16,000)

The purpose of this program is to reduce the amount of federal and state funds lost due to health insurance fraud by increasing the public's ability to detect and report possible fraud, waste and abuse.

MARYLAND INFANTS AND TODDLERS GRANT (\$1,641,800)

The Commission for Persons with Disabilities, under an agreement with the State of Maryland, serves as the lead agency responsible for coordinating early intervention services for developmentally delayed infants and toddlers (aged 0-3) and their families. Programs and services coordinated by the Department include audiology, family training, counseling, home visits, health services, medical services, nursing services, nutrition services, occupational therapy, physical therapy, psychological services, transportation, social work services, special instruction, speech-language pathology and respite care. The lead agency also maintains a tracking system for eligible children whose families want them to receive services. The majority of the grant is expended through subgrants, including a major grant to the Board of Education.

ADULT SERVICES COORDINATION (\$1,338,400)

This program, funded by the Developmental Disabilities Administration of the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, coordinates services, case management and eligibility determinations for adults with

severe developmental disabilities. Many of its clients are deinstitutionalized persons now residing in alternative living units in the community.

SYSTEMS REFORM INITIATIVE (\$12,626,900)

The Systems Reform Initiative is a demonstration project established in 1989 to restructure the delivery of services to more effectively meet the needs of children and families. The mission of this program is to preserve the family unit through the interagency coordination of prevention, education, intervention, and follow-up services for at-risk families and to improve service to youth being treated in out-of-state facilities for emotional disturbances by returning them, with appropriate support services, either to their families or to a residential setting within the local community.

Local agencies participating in the Initiative include the Departments of Health, Social Services, Family Services, the Board of Education and various elements of the courts and juvenile justice system. Two Department Divisions (Children, Youth and Families and Family Connection) receive their funding from the Maryland Office for Children, Youth and Families for these services. \$5 million of the amount shown represents costs of a five-year Community Partnership Agreement.

VULNERABLE ELDERLY (\$44,900)

This grant provided by the Maryland Department of Aging will increase the capacity of the Ombudsman programs to investigate and resolve complaints made by or on behalf of long term care residents. Ombudsman services will expand by ten (10) hours per week to the 19 County nursing homes.

OMBUDSMAN INITIATIVE (\$151,000)

The Ombudsman initiative is funded by the Maryland Department of Aging. The purpose of this program is to investigate and resolve non-medical complaints made by residents or others on behalf of residents ensuring the patient's Bill of Rights is upheld.

MEDICAID WAIVER (\$193,800)

This program will expand Medicaid payment to eligible adults age 50 and older for in-home services or in Assisted Living Facilities as an alternative to nursing home placement.

MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORITY/CORE SERVICE AGENCY (\$3,706,500)

The Core Service Agency continues to be responsible for long-range planning for mental health services, for needs assessments, and for development of alternative resource providers. Additionally, these funds represent grants to public or private providers for services to targeted populations.

CAREGIVING (\$157,400)

Funds are to be used for providing services to caregivers through existing programs. Services to caregivers include information, assistance, individual counseling, organization of support groups, training to caregivers, respite care and supplemental services.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (\$9,000)

Funds are provided toward the Advanced Information System (AIS), a computerized client database and tracking system. AIS is compatible with the Federal required NARIS format, and will be used to track the Older Americans Act Programs.

Department of Social Services

SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM (\$400,000)

Maryland Department of Education grant funds provide breakfasts and lunches for disadvantaged children

at more than 60 sites, including recreation centers, throughout the County over a six-week period.

MARYLAND JOBS INITIATIVE (\$5,572,300)

Funds from the Maryland Department of Human Resources will support costs of providing employment-related assistance to clients of various benefit programs. Job development, referrals, placements, and job-seeking skills training are some of the components of this initiative, which seeks to reduce welfare dependency through employment. Approximately this level of funding has been available to organizations in Prince George's County in past years but has been spent through State contracts with vendors.

MARYLAND ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (MEAP)/(EUSP) (\$400,000)

MEAP is funded through the Maryland Department of Human Resources and provides assistance to low-income families in meeting the high costs of winter energy bills. Benefits are distributed to utilities, fuel suppliers and landlords on behalf of needy families (those with incomes at or below 150% of the Federal poverty level).

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING III, IV, ATOP (\$1,448,800)

Consolidated management of the three Federal grant programs from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development provides housing and appropriate supportive services for individuals and families in transition from emergency housing to permanent housing. Families are given up to two years of shelter during which time individualized plans for self-sufficiency are developed and treatment and/or training occurs.

EMERGENCY SHELTER (\$238,000)

This Federal grant offsets costs of shelter and supportive services in emergency and transitional shelter programs including the Shepherd's Cove and Prince George's House homeless shelters and the Warm Nights Initiative which provides church-based shelter during winter months.

HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION PROGRAM (\$52,000)

Funds from the Maryland Department of Human Resources provide assistance in landlord-tenant mediation, tenant education and limited one-time cash assistance to prevent evictions leading to homelessness. The program strives to avert 30% or more of evictions of program clients.

MINOR GRANTS (\$20,000)

These funds represent small, unanticipated awards generally for specific one-time efforts.

SERVICE LINKED HOUSING PROGRAMS (\$77,000)

Funds from the Maryland Department of Human Resources assist in development of community organizations' capacity to meet housing needs for homeless or at-risk persons.

SERVICE LINKED HOUSING II (\$105,000)

This grant will provide resident advocates for individuals and families in emergency shelter and transitional housing. The eventual goal of the program is for the client to transition into a stable housing environment.

PRINCE GEORGE'S HOUSE TRANSITION CENTER (\$117,300)

Through this grant transition support services will be offered to single men. These services will be delivered through the Prince George's House Emergency Shelter, and will include case management, employment and training assistance, and housing placement services, all designed to help the clients move to self-sufficiency.

PROJECT STEP DOWN (\$292,100)

This grant creates an interagency service for high-risk families. The goal of the program is to maintain the child in their own home for 80% of the families served or to obtain placement in the least restrictive environment

within the state. While keeping the family intact, efforts will be made to insure that additional reports of abuse or neglect are prevented.

CHILD AND ADULT FOOD CARE PROGRAM (\$48,000)

This grant is intended to ensure that children in shelter environments receive nutritious meals by providing reimbursement for each meal that is served.

FOOD STAMP PAYMENT ACCURACY INITIATIVE (\$91,300)

This grant will support efforts to review and correct food stamp cases in an attempt to reduce the overall error rate in the distribution of these benefits.

EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE-TFAP (\$58,000)

This program offers food to families in dire need by distributing commodities to a network of approximately fifty pantries throughout the County. The program is targeted to households receiving TCA, Food Stamps or the Energy Program, or other low-income households. Participants can tap this resource once per month.

EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER-FEMA (\$90,000)

This grant, funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), provides crisis assistance for rental, mortgage and utility assistance for low-income households to prevent homelessness.

ADOPTION MEDIATION GRANT (\$208,000)

Federally funded grant for adoption mediation.

Health Department

The majority of Health Department grants are awarded through the unified grant award process of the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH). Through this process, Federal and State general funds allocated through the State budget to the various administrations (Local Health, Alcohol and Drug, Mental Hygiene, etc.) for local grant programs are detailed on a monthly award report, which also provides for changes in award amounts. Grants not awarded through the DHMH unified grant process are available from a variety of sources including various State Commissions, other public institutions and governments. The largest single non-DHMH grant program is the Ryan White Comprehensive Care Grant, for which tenth-year funds are included in this document.

DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION (\$107,400)

An allocation of \$60,000 for unanticipated minor grant awards is included here along with anticipated awards, which may not be readily assigned to other Divisions of the Department.

DIVISION OF MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH (\$8,366,200)

These grant programs serve the needs of at-risk populations of infants, youth and mothers with young children through early diagnostic screening, treatment, case management and nutrition programs. Significant emphasis is placed on ensuring access to care for uninsured and underinsured pregnant women and children through the HealthLine Media Campaign (\$398,200) by providing referral and appointment services to health care providers.

The WIC (Women, Infants & Children) nutrition program, budgeted at over \$1.7 million anticipates serving 15,000 women and children who are financially eligible and nutritionally at risk. Clients receive food vouchers for particular types of nutritional needs, such as infant formula.

DIVISION OF ADDICTIONS (\$14,126,300)

Grants in this Division provide outpatient treatment services for addicted adults, adolescents and families, and prevention services for high risk-youth. Other addiction programs include community-based services and efforts to reduce HIV exposure. The Addictions Treatment grant, budgeted at \$5,446,700, provides outpatient treatment services and contracts with a private vendor for residential treatment services which provide a continuum of services ranging from intensive inpatient services to transitional community living. The Medical Assistance Administration of the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene will reimburse estimated costs for clients of the Children and Parents Program, formerly the Center for Addictions and Pregnancy. The Program serves women to improve their health and that of the infants, which reduces the immense cost of neonatal care for premature births.

The addictions expansion program budgeted at \$3.0 million will provide for implementation of additional services to fill critical gaps in services for addicted clients and will significantly enhance substance abuse prevention efforts.

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH (\$45,000)

Grants support extensive outreach to the community regarding the dangers of lead poisoning and assists in environmental case management to children with high blood lead levels and the enforcement of abatement regulations.

DIVISION OF ADULT AND GERIATRIC HEALTH (\$5,935,800)

Grant funding is used to evaluate the needs of elderly individuals at risk of institutionalization, to purchase services to prevent their placement in a nursing home or other health care facility, and to transport Medical Assistance patients to medical appointments. Medical Assistance reimbursement of a projected 81,000 trips is budgeted at \$2.7 million. Improving access to appropriate cancer screenings is a major emphasis for FY2003 in these grant programs with over \$1.7 million for Colorectal Cancer Screening and Treatment Services.

DIVISION OF EPIDEMIOLOGY AND DISEASE CONTROL (\$3,318,400)

Grant funds support necessary services to individuals with specific types of communicable diseases, and the investigation and control of the spread of these diseases in the community. The Migrant/Refugee Health grant provides TB screening and coordination of treatment in the area of HIV/AIDS. In particular, grant funding supports a variety of services, including HIV antibody testing at Health Department clinics, counseling of infected individuals, case management and community-based care, diagnostic evaluation for persons with HIV infection, and extensive community education activities. The AIDS Pediatric Grant, budgeted at \$122,600, provides comprehensive case management and supportive services to families with HIV infected children.

OFFICE OF THE HEALTH OFFICER (\$6,208,100)

Grant funding is used for comprehensive care services to HIV patients eligible for services under the tenth year award of the Ryan White grant of \$6.2 million. Private community-based organizations provide a wide range of services to infected persons or their care-givers through the use of sub-grants. The Division of Epidemiology and Disease Control is one of the sub-grantees and provides clinical services to patients. Several other local Health Departments also receives sub-grants for services as do a number of local Social Services Departments for case management and other services.

Department of Housing and Community Development

The Department coordinates a wide range of Federal and State housing programs designed to assist in meeting the needs of County citizens, especially the moderate-income population that is not generally served by the private housing market. These programs are centered on community rehabilitation and neighborhood revitalization. In addition, the Department is committed to making Prince George's County a model for safe and clean neighborhoods by creating economic opportunities for all citizens, increasing homeownership for first-time purchasers, improving the quality of affordable rental housing, and offering a high level of public services. Prince

George's County programs are comprehensive, community driven, and designed to develop, enhance and sustain social networks and positive changes in communities.

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (\$2,098,000)

Funding will support rental and emergency assistance through a voucher system to individuals and families with AIDS in the suburban Maryland jurisdictions of Prince George's, Calvert, Charles, Frederick, and Montgomery Counties. FY2003 will be the tenth year the Department has received this grant from the U. S Department of Housing and Urban Development.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) (CDBG; CDBG Administration)
(\$5,195,000; \$1,100,000)**

Funding will support a broad range of physical improvements for those areas of the County designated for redevelopment and revitalization. Major programs support infrastructure improvements, public housing renovations and modernization, handicapped accessibility improvements, employment and educational training, job creation and retention for low and moderate-income people and businesses, health care, and general assistance to immigrants, the elderly and the homeless.

JOBS FOR THE HOMELESS (\$132,900)

Jobs for the Homeless will provide comprehensive employment and training services to 100 Prince George's County homeless clients.

MARYLAND HOUSING REHABILITATION GRANT (\$550,000)

Funding will support low interest housing rehabilitation loans for low and moderate-income owner/occupants of single family housing and owners of lower income rental properties throughout the County. The focus is to bring properties up to applicable building codes and Federal, State and local housing standards. FY 2003 funding will be provided by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development.

HOUSING PRESERVATION FUND (\$1,175,000)

Funding from the Community Development Block Grant will support the rehabilitation of privately owned housing for low and moderate-income homeowners by making deferred and below market interest rate loans.

WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (\$210,000)

Funding will support rehabilitation (weatherization) to the homes of low-income persons to increase the energy efficiency of their dwellings. Assistance will include the repair and/or replacement of insulation, storm doors and windows, caulking, weather-stripping, and major energy consuming appliances. Households headed by a senior citizen receive priority.

CHOICE - MODERATELY PRICED DWELLING UNIT (MPDU) (\$40,000)

Funding will support loans for construction, rehabilitation and the purchase of quality, owner-occupied housing.

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (HOME) (\$3,350,000)

Funding will support profit and non-profit developers to develop and/or rehabilitate housing units for low and moderate-income persons. HOME funds will assist first-time homebuyers to purchase homes, and nonprofits to acquire or improve group homes for special populations. HOME funds will also support Community Housing & Development Organizations (CHDOs) to create and support housing opportunities for households of limited income. Ninety percent of the funds must be used to develop housing.

DRUG ELIMINATION (\$125,000)

Funding will support physical improvements, administrative and personnel costs, drug education and prevention activities in public housing and other multi-family residences occupied by low and moderate-income families.

PUBLIC HOUSING CAPITAL FUND (\$775,500)

Funding will support needed physical improvements and upgrades at public housing sites. These expenditures are non-routine and include costs such as modernizing heating and cooling equipment and/or improving parking lots at public housing facilities. This program was formerly called the Modernization Program.

CONVENTIONAL HOUSING (\$1,908,100)

Funding will support the management of the County's public housing sites: Ownes Road (123 units), Marlborough Towne (63 units), Kimberly Gardens (50 units), and Cottage City (100 units). Project managers are assigned to each housing site for senior citizens to assist residents and ensure that the building is properly maintained.

ROLLINGCREST VILLAGE (\$199,000)

Funding will support the maintenance and management of a 40 dwelling unit public housing site for qualified elderly residents.

HOMEOWNERSHIP (MARCY AVENUE) (\$10,500)

Funding will support homeownership opportunities for families that rent units with options to purchase one of 50 townhouses managed by the Department. A portion of the family's rent is escrowed toward a down payment and settlement. In FY2003, over ninety percent of the units will be sold and the existing management association will manage the remaining units. Funding is provided by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

ROSS GRANT (\$200,000)

Funding will support new and continuing activities associated with ensuring sanitary living conditions within the public housing sites.

BOND PROGRAM (\$380,000)

The Bond Program is revenue received from the interest earned from the sale of bonds sold by the Housing Authority of Prince George's County. This revenue will support various rehabilitation and revitalization activities associated with single and multi-family housing units.

SECTION 8 (HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER/CERTIFICATES; MODERATE; SUBSTANTIAL) (\$36,752,800; \$1,504,400; \$6,492,400)

Funding will support voucher programs where the participants pay a minimum of their adjusted gross income for rent and the Federal government, through the use of a voucher, pays the remainder. Participating families are able to select the housing of their choice, provided the rent is reasonable and falls within the program's limits.

Note: The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development converted all Section 8 Certificates to Housing Vouchers on October 1, 1999. This change eliminates separate bookkeeping and other administrative tasks associated with maintaining two similar programs.

RENTAL ALLOWANCE PROGRAM (RAP) (\$136,700)

Funding will support fixed monthly rental assistance payments to eligible lower-income homeless residents and to households with critical and emergency housing needs. All funds must be expended through RAP payments made on behalf of clients. Section 8 administration fees will support all other costs. RAP is funded by the State of Maryland and administered through the Community Development Administration (CDA), a division of the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development. In addition, in partnership with the Department of Social Services (DSS), the County provides priority assistance to residents of emergency shelters placed in the SDD Transitional Housing Program (THP). RAP payments are used to "match" Federal funds received by the County for supportive housing programs.

WELFARE TO WORK (\$2,004,300)

Funding will support rental assistance payments to private landlords on behalf of eligible low-income families on the Section 8 programs. The grant supports 235 vouchers and the participating families pay approximately 30 percent of their monthly income towards rent. Funding will provide the families a comprehensive program of case management, job training, and job placement resulting in an increase in the number of families in the Section 8 program achieving self-sufficiency.

Non-Departmental

UNANTICIPATED GRANT AWARDS (\$1,000,000)

An appropriation for grant awards not anticipated in the budget is used to allow grant program start-up prior to County Council approval of supplementary appropriations. This appropriation is used only in situations where grant funds potentially could be lost if grant programs are not implemented expeditiously. The County Council is notified of the use of this appropriation.